New Jersey Department of Education Comparative Spending Guide

Electronic Distribution User Manual

A. Installation

The New Jersey State Department of Education Comparative Spending Guide distribution diskette contains two files, **CSG2000.ZIP** and **PKUNZIP.EXE**. Users of the data should create a directory on their PC, change directory to that location and copy these files to that directory by typing the following:

COPY A:*.*

Once complete, type

PKUNZIP CSG

26 files will be 'unzipped'. These files contain all data used in the comparative spending guide and are stored in Dbase III+ formats. This format will allow users to import the data into numerous commercially available database software packages and thereby, allow for the analysis of the data using these packages.

B. File Index

File names correspond to the Comparative Spending Guide Indicator number. For example, all data for indicator 1 are contained in the file CSG1.dbf.

File Name	Description	
CSG1.dbf	Total Cost per Pupil	
CSG2.dbf	Total Classroom Instruction	
CSG3.dbf	Classroom Salaries + benefits	
CSG4.dbf	Classroom general supplies and textbooks	
CSG5.dbf	Classroom purchased services and other	
CSG6.dbf	Total Support services	
CSG7.dbf	Support services Salaries + benefits	
CSG8.dbf	Total Administrative Costs per Pupil	
CSG9.dbf	Salaries + Benefits for Administration	
CSG10.dbf	Operations and Maintenance of Plant	
CSG11.dbf	Salaries + Benefits - Operations/Maint of Plant	
CSG12.dbf	Food Service Cost per Pupil + Benefits	
CSG13.dbf	Extracurricular Costs per Pupil + Benefits	
CSG14.dbf	Personal Services - Employee Benefits	
CSG15.dbf	Total Equipment Cost per Pupil	
CSG16.dbf	Ratio of Students to Teachers: Median Salary	
CSG17.dbf	Ratio of Students to Special Service: Median Salary	
CSG18.dbf	Ratio of Students to Administration: Median Salary	
CSG19.dbf	Faculty / Administrative Ratios	
CSG20.dbf	Budgeted General Fund Balance vs. Actual (used)	
CSG21.dbf	Unreserved General Fund Balances in Excess of 6%	
VITSTAT.dbf	Summary of Vital Statistics	
Trans.dbf	Bus Utilization	
SUM9798.dbf	Summary: 97-98 Actual Costs	
SUM9899.dbf	Summary: 98-99 Actual Costs	
SUM9900.dbf	Summary: 99-00 Original Budget Totals	

C. File Structure - Indicator Files

The 22 CSG indicator files have 12 unique file structures:

1. Structure for Indicator 1

Field Name	Description
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
PP97	Per pupil amount (97-98 actual costs)
Rank97	Per pupil Ranking (97-98 actual costs)
PP98	Per pupil amount (98-99 actual costs)
Rank98	Per pupil Ranking (98-99 actual costs)
PP99	Per pupil amount (99-00 budget costs)
Rank99	Per pupil Ranking (99-00 budget costs)

2. Structure for Indicator 2,4,5,6,8,10,12,13

Field Name	<u>Description</u>
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
PP97	Per pupil amount (97-98 actual costs)
Rank97	Per pupil Ranking (97-98 actual costs)
Pct97	% of Total Cost/pupil (97-98)
PP98	Per pupil amount (98-99 actual costs)
Rank98	Per pupil Ranking (98-99 actual costs)
Pct98	% of Total Cost/pupil (98-99)
PP99	Per pupil amount (99-00 budget costs)
Rank99	Per pupil Ranking (99-00 budget costs)
Pct99	% of Total Cost/pupil (99-00)

3. Structure for Indicator 3,7,9,11

Field Name	<u>Description</u>
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
PP97	Per pupil amount (97-98 actual costs)
Rank97	Per pupil Ranking (97-98 actual costs)
Pct97	% of Total Cost/pupil (97-98)
Pct297	% of Total Salaries/Benefits to Indicator Variable (97-98)
PP98	Per pupil amount (98-99 actual costs)
Rank98	Per pupil Ranking (98-99 actual costs)
Pct98	% of Total Cost/pupil (98-99)
Pct298	% of Total Salaries/Benefits to Indicator Variable (98-99)
PP99	Per pupil amount (99-00 budget costs)
Rank99	Per pupil Ranking (99-00 budget costs)
Pct99	% of Total Cost/pupil (99-00)
Pct299	% of Total Salaries/Benefits to Indicator Variable (99-00)

4. Structure for Indicator 14

<u>Field Name</u> <u>Description</u>

Group Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping

Coname County Name
District District code
District Name

PP97 % of Total Salaries (97-98) PP98 % of Total Salaries (98-99) PP99 % of Total Salaries (99-00)

5. Structure for Indicator 15

<u>Field Name</u> <u>Description</u>

Group Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping

Coname County Name
District District code
District Name

 PP97
 Per Pupil Costs (97-98)

 PP98
 Per Pupil Costs (98-99)

 PP99
 Per Pupil Costs (99-00)

6. Structure for Indicator 16

<u>Field Name</u> <u>Description</u>

Group Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping

Coname County Name
District District code
District Name

Strat98 Student/Teacher Ratio (98-99)

Rk98 Ratio Ranking (98-99)
Salt98 Teacher Salary (98-99)
Rk98 Salary Ranking (98-99)

Strat99 Student/Teacher Ratio (99-00)

Rk99 Ratio Ranking (99-00) Salt99 Teacher Salary (99-00) Rk99 Salary Ranking (99-00)

7. Structure for Indicator 17

Field Name Description

Group Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping

Coname County Name
District District code
District Name

Ssrat98 Student/Special Service Ratio (98-99)

Rk98 Ratio Ranking (98-99)

Sals98 Special Service Salary (98-99) Rk98 Salary Ranking (98-99)

Ssrat99 Student/Special Service Ratio (99-00)

Rk99 Ratio Ranking (99-00)

Sals99 Special Service Salary (99-00) Rk99 Salary Ranking (99-00)

8. Structure for Indicator 18

Field Name	Description
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
Sarat98	Student/Administrator Ratio (98-99)
Rk98	Ratio Ranking (98-99)
Sala98	Administrator Salary (98-99)
Rk98	Salary Ranking (98-99)
Sarat99	Student/Administrator Ratio (99-00)
Rk99	Ratio Ranking (99-00)
Sala99	Administrator Salary (99-00)
Rk99	Salary Ranking (99-00)

9. Structure for Indicator 19

Field Name	<u>Description</u>
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
Farat98	Faculty/Administrator Ratio (98-99)
Rk98	Faculty/Administrator Ranking (98-99)
Farat99	Faculty/Administrator Ratio (99-00)
Rk99	Faculty/Administrator Ranking (99-00)

10. Structure for Indicator CSG20

Field Name	<u>Description</u>
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
Col1	General Fund Balance (97-98)
Col2	1006-98 Actual
Col3	General Fund Balance (98-99)
Col4	1007-99 Actual

11. Structure for Indicator CSG21

Field Name	<u>Description</u>
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
Col1	Actual Excess (97-98)
Col2	Actual Excess (98-99)
Col3	Actual Excess (99-00)

12. Structure for Indicator VITSTAT

Field Name	Description
Group	Contains text indicating Operating type/Enrollment grouping
Coname	County Name
District	District code
Distname	District Name
PP99	Per pupil Comparative Cost (99-00)
Stpct99	Revenue: State %
Ltpct99	Revenue: Local %
Fdpct99	Revenue: Federal %
Tupct99	Revenue: Tuition %
Fbpct99	Revenue: Free balance %
Otpct99	Revenue: Other %
Strat99	Student / Teacher ratio 99
Ssrat99	Student / Special Service ratio 99
Sarat99	Student / Administrator ratio 99
Pctspeced	Percent Special Education Students

D. File Structure - Summary Files

The 3 summary files have identical file structures and summarize the total costs for Indicator 1-13 and 15. The Average daily enrollment is included (estimated enrollment for 1999-2000).

E. Miscellaneous Information

Each indicator file also contains information regarding the Operating type and State Average information printed on the Comparative Spending Guide. This information is located within the file at the beginning of each district operating type/enrollment grouping. Depending on the indicator file and operating type grouping, the number of records containing the information will vary. The descriptive text regarding these records have been written in the DISTNAME field. The following guide should be used to view these data summary records:

<u>Indicator</u>	Operating type/enrollment Grouping	# Records with Summary Statistics
1-15	All groups except 7-12 / 9-12	4 records/grouping
1-15	Group 7-12 / 9-12 only	6 records/grouping
16,17,18,19	All groups except 7-12 / 9-12	1 record/group (Op type average only)
16,17,18,19	Group 7-12 / 9-12 only	2 records/group (Op Type average only)